# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

RICHARD TAXMAN, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Civil Action No. 1:14-cv-12949-LTS

Plaintiff,

v.

COVIDIEN PLC, MEDTRONIC, INC. KALANI I LIMITED, MAKANI II LIMITED AVIATION ACQUISITIONS CO., INC., AVIATION MERGER SUB, LLC, JOSE E. ALMEIDA, JOY A. AMUNDSON, CRAIG ARNOLD, ROBERT H. BRUST, CHRISTOPHER J. COUGHLIN, RANDALL J. HOGAN, III, DENNIS H. REILLEY, STEPHEN H. RUSCKOWSKI and JOSEPH A. ZACCAGNINO,

Defendants.

JOSEPH LIPOVICH, on Behalf of Himself and All Others Similarly Situated, Plaintiff,

v.

COVIDIEN PLC, JOSE E. ALMEIDA, CRAIG ARNOLD, ROBERT H. BRUST, CHRISTOPHER J. COUGHLIN, RANDALL J. HOGAN, III, JOSEPH A. ZACCAGNINO, DENNIS H. REILLEY, JOY A. AMUNDSON and STEPHEN H. RUSCKOWSKI,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:14-cv-13308-LTS

ROSENFELD FAMILY FOUNDATION, On Behalf of Itself and All Others Similarly Situated, Civil Action No. 1:14-cv-13490-LTS

Plaintiffs,

v.

COVIDIEN PLC, JOSE E. ALMEIDA, JOY A. AMUNDSON, CRAIG ARNOLD, ROBERT H. BRUST, CHRISTOPHER J. COUGHLIN, RANDALL J. HOGAN, III, DENNIS REILLEY, STEPHEN H. RUSCKOWSKI and JOSEPH A. ZACCAGNINO,

Defendants.

MOTION OF ROSENFELD FAMILY FOUNDATION AND RONALD W. CHARTRAND FOR (1) CONSOLIDATION OF ALL RELATED ACTIONS, (2) APPOINTMENT AS CO-LEAD PLAINTIFFS, AND (3) APPROVAL OF THEIR SELECTION OF CO-LEAD COUNSEL

Plaintiff Rosenfeld Family Foundation and movant Ronald W. Chartrand ("Movants"), by and through their counsel, respectfully move this Court for an order: (a) consolidating all related securities class actions filed against defendant Covidien plc ("Covidien" or the "Company") in connection with the proposed acquisition of the Company by Medtronic, Inc. ("Medtronic") for all purposes; (b) appointing Rosenfeld Family Foundation and Ronald W. Chartrand as Co-Lead Plaintiffs in the consolidated action; and (c) approving Movants' selection of WeissLaw LLP and Levi & Korsinky LLP as Co-Lead Counsel for the Class, with Block & Leviton LLP as Liaison Counsel for the Class.

This motion is based on the memorandum of points and authorities and the Declaration of Jason M. Leviton filed concurrently herewith, and the Court's complete files and records in this action, as well as such further argument as the Court may allow at a hearing on this motion.

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH LR. 7.1(a)(2)**

This motion is filed pursuant to Section 21D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended by the PSLRA. This Section provides that within 60 days after publication of the required notice, any member of the proposed class may apply to the Court to be appointed as lead plaintiff. Plaintiff Joseph Lipovich published notice of the pendency of his action on August 19, 2014. Movants have no way of knowing who, if any, the competing lead plaintiff candidates are at this time.

As a result, Movants' counsel has been unable to conference with opposing counsel as prescribed in LR. 7.1(a)(2), and respectfully requests that the conference requirement be waived only for purposes of this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this	s document has beer	n filed through the	ECF system and	d will be sent
electronically to the registered	participants as ident	tified on the Notice	e of Electronic I	Filing (NEF).

/s/ Jason M. Leviton
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